AMENDED IN SENATE JUNE 29, 2011

AMENDED IN SENATE JUNE 16, 2011

AMENDED IN SENATE JUNE 1, 2011

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 25, 2011

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 220

Introduced by Assembly Member Solorio
(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Dickinson and V. Manuel
Pérez)
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alejo, Ammiano, Huffman, and
Mendoza)

February 1, 2011

An act to add Section 13827.3 to the Penal Code, relating to gangs. An act to amend Section 1403 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to juveniles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 220, as amended, Solorio. Gang and youth violence: prevention. *Interstate Compact for Juveniles*.

The Interstate Compact for Juveniles, among other things, provides for the establishment of rules and procedures for the tracking and supervision or return of juveniles and juvenile offender among compacting states. Existing law makes the Interstate Compact for Juveniles operative in this state, and designates the executive director of the Correction Standards Authority as the compact administrator, until January 1, 2014.

AB 220 — 2 —

This bill would extend the operation of those provisions in this state until January 1, 2014.

Under existing law, the Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy, which is in the California Emergency Management Agency, is responsible for identifying and evaluating gang and youth violence programs and strategies, along with funding for those efforts. The Director of the Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy is responsible for monitoring, assessing, and coordinating the state's gang and youth violence programs, as specified.

This bill would require the director, subject to statutory limits and directives, to make recommendations to streamline existing state agency gang and youth violence grant programs with a goal toward giving priority to grant programs that employ evidence-based and promising practices that are also culturally competent and appropriate. It would require the director to create a working group consisting of representatives of state offices and representatives of other specified stakeholders to assist in this effort, with the director serving as the chairperson. The bill would require the working group to advise the office on the task of streamlining grant programs that address gang and youth violence, in accordance with certain procedures.

This bill would require the working group to be responsible for making recommendations to streamline existing state agency gang and youth violence grant programs, including recommending procedures and requirements for state agencies and departments administering grant programs to provide incentives for grant recipients to implement evidence-based and promising practices that are also culturally competent and appropriate. The bill would require the Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy to report the findings of the working group to the Legislature and the Governor by June 1, 2012.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 1403 of the Welfare and Institutions Code 2 is amended to read:
- 3 1403. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January 1,
- 4 2012 2014, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted
- 5 statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2012 2014, deletes or
- 6 extends that date.

-3- AB 220

SECTION 1. Section 13827.3 is added to the Penal Code, to read:

13827.3. (a) The director shall, subject to statutory limits and directives, make recommendations to streamline existing state agency gang and youth violence grant programs with a goal toward giving priority to grant programs that employ evidence-based and promising practices that are also culturally competent and appropriate. The director shall create a working group to assist in this effort and shall serve as the chairperson of the working group.

- (b) The working group of the Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy shall consist of representatives of state offices and representatives of other stakeholders specified in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 13827. The working group shall advise the office on the task of streamlining grant programs that address gang and youth violence, in accordance with subdivisions (c) and (d).
- (c) The working group shall be responsible for making recommendations to streamline existing state agency gang and youth violence grant programs, including, but not limited to, making recommendations for consolidation of programs, aligning funding cycles, and developing common applications for grant programs. The working group shall seek to maximize federal funding and shall not jeopardize current federal funding and obligations. The Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy shall prepare the recommendations of the working group pursuant to this subdivision on or before March 1, 2012, and shall submit a final report of its findings to the Legislature and the Governor on or before June 1, 2012. The report shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code. This subdivision does not require the other stakeholders in the working group to participate in the preparation of the final report.
- (d) As part of its recommendations pursuant to subdivision (e), the Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy shall also recommend procedures and requirements for state agencies and departments that administer gang and youth violence grant programs to provide incentives for grant recipients to implement evidence-based and promising practices that are also culturally competent and appropriate.
- (e) As used in this section, the term "culturally competent," used in respect to a gang and youth violence grant program, means

AB 220 —4—

- 1 the program is conducted in a manner that is responsive to the
- 2 beliefs, interpersonal styles, attitudes, language, and behaviors of
- 3 individuals who are receiving assistance from the program in a
- 4 manner that has the greatest likelihood of ensuring their maximum
- 5 participation in the program.